

Scavenger Hunt Lesson Plan

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Subject: Biology	Grade Level: 9-10

Overview	Students will gain knowledge of plants, how they function & and correctly collect and identify characteristics of rangeland plants by using plant guides.	
Goal(s) &	Students will be able to:	
Objective(s)	 Successfully identify rangeland related items. Use resource guides and materials to help them successfully identify plants and their characteristics. Describe the difference between renewable and nonrenewable resources. Use observations and data as evidence on which to base scientific explanations Analyze environmental issues such as water and air quality, hazardous waste, forest health, and agricultural production 	
	Students will learn:	
	 About rangeland management and resources. 	
	2. How to work together in groups to solve problems.	
Materials	 Ziploc Bags Markers to number the bags 	
	3. List of Partners & group number	
	4. Resource Books, IRRC Plant guides	

	Introduction:	
Teaching Activities: Instructional Approaches/Strategies	 Introduce scavenger hunt activity. Review plant characteristics and discuss specific characteristics that help define plants. 	
	Independent Practice	
	3. Students will complete scavenger hunt4. While completing SH work sheet, students will collect plant samples to present to class.	
	Closure	
	- Review what the students found & discuss standards with them & how the standards apply to their activity.	
Assessment:		

Attachments:

Rangeland Scavenger Hunt worksheet List of plant variations

RANGELAND SCAVENGER HUNT

You will need to find the following items with your partner or the group that you are assigned to. You may use any books or other resources (except the teacher) to help you gather these items. You may use one item to help fulfill up to three characteristics but no more than that. Happy hunting!!!

Leaf Margins:	Rangeland Plants:
1Serrated 2Lobed 3Entire Leaf Venation: 4Pinate 5Palmate	18Grass 19Forb 20Shrub Specific Rangeland Plants: 21Rabbit Brush 22Sage Brush
6Netted 7Parallel	23Greasewood 24Bottle Brush Squirrel Tail 25Shadscale
Flower Description:	Miscellaneous:
8Spike 9Raceme 10Panicle 11Umbel	26Something biotic 27Something abiotic 28A noxious weed 29A gal 30A chewed plant part
Leaf Arrangements:	A food Chain containing 2 organisms
12Alternate 13Opposite Grass Structures:	31 Something beautiful- (natural)
14An Awn 15A Node 16Leaf Sheath 17Stem	32

Other Plant Variations:

Here's a list of ideas that you could add or replace depending on what type of scavenger hunt you want.

A horsetail plant

An animal track

A food chain of three organisms

A flying insect

An arachnid

A feather - legal and detached from the bird

An example of camouflage(i.e. grasshopper-grass)

Scat (this will wrinkle noses)

Two organisms associated with each other (ants & Aphids) (bees and flowers)

An example of a host -NON

HUMAN (Students are told ahead of time that they cannot bring in dead or living mammals or reptiles)

50 or any item

Seven pieces of litter left behind by humans

A producer

A consumer

An alga

A lichen

A crustacean

A taproot

A fibrous root

A monocot

A dicot

A pupa

A paramecium

An invertebrate

An annelid

A thorn

A seed dispersed by the wind

A seed dispersed by an animal

A bone